

REMARKS

By the present Amendment, claims 21 and 22 are amended to clarify the claims, and claim 26 is cancelled. This leaves claims 10-25 and 27 pending in the application, with claim 10 being independent.

To avoid the rejection of claims 21 and 22 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph and/or second paragraph, these claims are amended to “loose leno weave” and “flat knit”, as accepted in allowed and related application Serial No. 09/601,279. These recitations are proper for the same reasons as in the related application.

Accordingly, the presently pending claims are definite and comply with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112.

The rejection of claim 26 is rendered moot by cancellation of that claim.

These amendments should be entered and considered on their merits to simply the issues for appeal, even though the amendments do not place the application in condition for allowance.

Regarding the alleged omission of drawings, drawings were filed with the copy of the International application forwarded by the International Bureau and filed by applicant on July 31, 2001. The drawings were resubmitted with the January 6, 2003 Amendment filed before the final rejection. The omission of any further statement regarding the drawings in the final rejection should be viewed as a withdrawal of this objection, unless prosecution is re-opened. Copies of the drawings are again resubmitted.

Prompt and favorable action is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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